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Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the 1. above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

This request is being submitted concurrently with a Petition to withdraw the application from issue 2. in order to submit references just recently provided to applicant in International Search Report in Patent Cooperation Treaty application number PCT/US2005/021851, owned and filed by the applicant on the instant application. PCT application number PCT/US2005/021851 and the instant

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application are both principally directed to low pressure drying of granular resin materials preparatory to molding or extrusion of those materials.

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)
Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
Petition to Withdraw from Issue

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of small entity (and status is still as small entity).

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. No amendments are being made to the claims or specification. Accordingly, it is believed no additional fee for claims is required.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

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8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

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INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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